## **Amendments to the Claims:**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

1 - 47. (cancelled).

- 48. (currently amended). A <u>film-forming</u>, redispersible copolymer powder comprising a copolymer obtained by drying a stable aqueous dispersion, said aqueous dispersion comprising a copolymer having one or more reactive functional groups, said copolymer being polymerized from at least one cationic unsaturated monomer and at least one non-cationic unsaturated monomer, characterized in that the copolymer powder is redispersible in water, has a Tg of below 50°C and is capable of forming a film at ambient temperature and wherein said non-cationic unsaturated monomer comprises an anionic monomer.
- 49. (previously presented). The redispersible powder of claim 48, wherein the copolymer is polymerized in situ in the presence of a seed monomer.
- 50. (previously presented). The redispersible powder of claim 48 wherein the copolymer powder comprises latex particles having a heterogeneous morphology.
- 51. (previously presented) The redispersible powder of claim 50 wherein said latex particles have an average diameter of from 30 to 1000 nm.
- 52. (previously presented) The redispersible powder of claim 50 having a core-shell morphology comprising a hydrophillic inner phase and a hydrophobic outer phase.

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